



## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Florida Attractions Association  
Bill Lupfer, President & CEO

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**DATE:** March 19, 2024

**SUBJECT:** 2024 Legislative Session Summary

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The 2024 Legislative Session came to a close on Friday, March 8, as the Florida Legislature adjourned *Sine Die* at 2:25 p.m. The only Constitutional requirement of the Legislature is to pass the budget, which they did timely for the second consecutive year. The final agreed upon budget of **\$117.5 billion** represents the largest in state history topping last year's record-setting budget of \$116.5 billion. The Legislature also passed 325 bills compared to just 285 in 2023.

## **KEY ISSUES**

### **Acceptance of Cash Payments by Businesses**

[HB 35](#) by Representative Joel Rudman (R-Navarre) would have required certain businesses to accept cash payments for certain transactions; prohibited fees or conditions for such transactions; provided applicability & civil penalties; required DACS to adopt rules. The House bill did not receive a committee hearing. The Senate companion – [SB 106](#) – by Senator Shevrin Jones (D-Miami Gardens) was temporarily postponed during the Senate Fiscal Policy Committee on February 27 and not reconsidered.

On January 17, Liberty Partners of Tallahassee Director of Client Relations Ethan Merchant testified before the Senate Agriculture, Environment, and General Government Appropriations Committee on behalf of FAA in opposition to SB 106. In his remarks, Ethan highlighted that 39% of FAA's members are either "cashless" or "partially cashless" and that this bill would create a new operating expense on attractions – many of which revised their payment system operations during the COVID-19 pandemic.

On January 18, Liberty Partners of Tallahassee President Jennifer Green and Director of Client Relations met with both bill sponsors. During these meetings, Liberty Partners discussed FAA's position on the bills

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and laid out our concerns with the bills. We also discussed possible alternative solutions to address the issues that each lawmaker is trying to solve.

Ahead of SB 106 being considered in the Senate Fiscal Policy Committee – although it was ultimately temporarily postponed – Liberty Partners distributed letters on behalf of FAA to each member of the committee. In the letters, we listed FAA’s concern with the legislation and the effect it would have on small and medium sized attractions that cannot afford a “cash-to-card” kiosk.

While we are grateful that the legislation was not passed during the 2024 Legislative Session, we expect the issue to arise again during the 2025 Legislative Session. We look forward to working with Senator Jones, Representative Rudman, staff and the appropriate state agencies over the summer to address concerns with this issue and find a solution to the issue the legislators are seeking to fix.

### **Tourist Development Tax**

Several bills related to tourist development tax (TDT) were filed during the 2024 Legislative Session. The original version of the House tax package – [HB 7073](#) – contained a number of harmful provisions, which were later removed. The initial provisions would have sunset existing TDTs unless the TDT was renewed by a voter referendum in that County before July 2029, and would have required a voter referendum for a new TDT, which would limit all new TDT to six years and require voter referendums in the County to renew. Additionally, the bill would have allowed certain counties designated as an Area of Critical State Concern that levy a TDT and a tourist impact tax to use surplus tourism revenue to provide affordable housing. Since HB 7073 was filed, Liberty Partners of Tallahassee has urged the House to reconsider these changes to TDT and expressed FAA’s longstanding policy that TDT should be used for their intended marketing purposes.

[HB 1599](#) by Representative Keith Truenow (R-Tavares) would have prohibited the allocation of more than 25% of TDT revenue from an individual project without a supermajority vote by the governing board of the county. The bill never received a hearing in the House Ways and Means Committee. The Senate companion – [SB 1748](#) – by Senator Jason Brodeur (R-Lake Mary) did not receive a final hearing in the Senate Appropriations Committee.

[HB 1081](#) by Representative Juan Porras (R-Miami) would have required certain counties to use revenue received from tourist development tax in a specified manner; required that charter county convention development moneys be distributed to certain entities for specified purposes; deleted a specified notification requirement. The bill never received a second hearing in the House Ways and Means Committee. The Senate companion – [SB 1072](#) – by Senator Bryan Avila (R-Miami Gardens) never received a second hearing in the Senate Finance and Tax Committee.

[SB 1456](#) by Senator Ana Maria Rodriguez (R-Doral) passed the Legislature on March 5. This legislation imposes new housing and hurricane evacuation requirements for specifically the Florida Keys or the City of Key West Areas of Critical State Concern. The legislation will also allow Monroe County to use surplus TDT and tourist impact tax funds to create affordable housing for private sector tourism-related employees, with the affordable status being maintained for no less than 99 years.

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## **VISIT FLORIDA**

We are pleased to report that the Legislature has allocated \$80 million for VISIT FLORIDA tourism marketing during FY 2024-25. This is the same level of funding that VISIT FLORIDA received in FY 2023-24, but less than the \$105 million that was included in Governor Ron DeSantis' budget recommendations.

## **Cultural and Historical Programs**

A significant amount of money is allocated in the state's FY 2024-25 budget for cultural and historical programs. The budget contains \$60.8 million for Cultural and Museum Program Support Grants and Initiatives, \$50.6 million for Historical Preservation Grants and Initiatives, and \$4.7 million for African American Cultural and Historic Grants.

## **FULL SUMMARY**

Governor Ron DeSantis, House Speaker Paul Renner and Senate President Kathleen Passidomo each secured several victories this Legislative Session as many of their policy priorities were passed by the Legislature.

A major win for Speaker Renner during the Session was passing legislation, **HB 1**, intended to nurture and preserve the mental health of Florida's children from the harmful effects of social media. During Speaker Renner's opening day remarks, he stressed the negative impact on children's mental health and well-being that social media has on Florida's children. The bill proposed would require social media companies to prohibit minors under the age of 16 from accessing these platforms. The Legislature shared Speaker Renner's sentiment by passing **HB 1** on February 22, 2024 only for it to be vetoed by the Governor on March 1, 2024, indicating his desire for the Florida Legislature to produce a more superior bill that would protect children from the harms associated with social media while also preserving parents' rights and maintaining the ability of adults to engage in anonymous speech.

The revised social media language from **HB 1** was eventually incorporated into **HB 3**, which was designed to protect children under the age of 18 from harmful online content, such as pornography, by requiring age verification by websites and applications that publish material harmful to minors. The bill also requires that all data collected to verify the age of a person attempting to obtain access to harmful material be deleted immediately. This bill, containing many of the same provisions originally in **HB 1**, was passed by the Legislature on March 6, 2024, and will now head to the Governor's desk for approval.

President Passidomo also secured some major wins during the 2024 Legislative Session. One of the President's main priorities this Session was to increase access to healthcare. As a result, the Legislature passed the "Live Healthy Act" - **SB 7016**. Several other bills designed to increase workforce mobility and offer incentives to work in needed fields such as mental health, labor, and disability were passed including **SB 1600**, **SB 330**, **SB 7018**, **SB 1758**, and **HB 7089**. These bills also increase access to healthcare in rural and underserved communities by investing in the availability of healthcare technology and expanding clinical training sites in these areas as well as providing for an ease of licensure for individuals coming in to Florida from other states.

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Another goal of President Passidomo was to remove the red tape in public schools while still maintaining high academic standards. The Legislature passed the “Learn Local Act” to support this goal. **SB 7000** and **SB 7002** attempt to address the teacher shortage by expanding and changing some of the channels to acquire and maintain a teacher certification by increasing flexibility of district school boards in hiring and giving raises to teachers. The bills also make significant changes to student assessments by giving parents more of a voice in their children’s education.

Governor DeSantis saw several of his priorities related to insurance premiums and toll relief cross the finish line this Session. The Legislature’s tax package - **HB 7073** - for FY 2024-25 includes a one-year relief for residential property insurance policyholders, covering the cost of insurance premium tax and the State Fire Marshal assessment for residential property insurance policies written between October 1, 2024, and September 30, 2025 for a twelve-month coverage period. It also includes a one-year insurance premium tax relief on flood insurance policies for policies written between October 1, 2024 and September 30, 2025. As for toll relief, the Legislature’s tax package includes toll relief for certain high-use customers from April 2024 until March 2025.

As expected, the 2024 Legislative Session was not complete without the passage of a balanced budget for FY 2024-25. Governor DeSantis had provided his budget recommendations in December 2023 to the tune of **\$114.4 billion** - which was \$4.5 billion less than the current state budget. After a lengthy joint budget conference, leaders of the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees highlighted their respective budget areas in the **\$117.5 billion** state spending plan. On the last day of the Legislative Session, the House and Senate passed **HB 5001** as the General Appropriations Act and all associated budget bills. Once he receives it, Governor Ron DeSantis will have 15 days to prepare his veto pen and then sign the budget into law. With the Governor's line-item veto authority it is anticipated the final state budget is to be significantly less than the Legislature’s final product.

See the budget comparison below:

**2023 Legislative Session (FY 2023-24)**

Budget passed by the Legislature: \$117B

Governor’s veto: \$510.8M

Final approved budget: \$116.5B

**2024 Legislative Session (FY 2024-25)**

Budget passed by the Legislature: \$117.5B

Governor’s veto: **TBD**

Final approved budget: **TBD**

Highlights of the FY 2024-25 budget include:

- \$10 billion in total reserves
- 3-percent pay increase for all state employees
- \$28.4 billion in funding for K-12 FEFP Public Schools
- \$717.1 million for the “Live Healthy” program, including an increase of \$245.7 million for Medicaid Providers
- \$100 million in correctional facilities capital improvement
- \$17 million for law enforcement recruitment bonus program
- \$75 million for the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund

- \$80 million for VISIT FLORIDA
- \$100 million for broadband equity access and deployment
- \$1.02 billion of funding to communities with open Federally declared disasters
- \$100 million for the Rural and Family Lands Protection Program
- \$135 million for the Wastewater Grant Program
- \$178.3 million for water infrastructure improvements

The Legislature also passed their annual tax package in **HB 7073**. This year's tax package includes a \$5 million credit for three years against the corporate income tax for businesses employing persons with unique abilities of \$1,000 per employee. Additionally, the bill provides for a \$5 million credit for three years for businesses for childcare expenses incurred on behalf of employees and increases the annual cap for the Strong Families Tax Credit Program from \$20 million to \$40 million. **HB 7073** also includes the following four sales tax holidays:

**Back to School Sales Tax Holiday** - July 29 – August 11, 2024

**Freedom Summer Sales Tax Holiday** - July 1 - July 31, 2024

**Tool-Time Sales Tax Holiday**- September 1 - September 7, 2024

**Disaster Preparedness Sales Tax Holidays** - June 1 - June 14, 2024 and August 24 - September 6, 2024

## **KEY BILLS THAT PASSED**

### **Online Protections for Minors**

**HB 1** by Rep. Tyler Sirois (R-Merritt Island) requires social media platforms to terminate accounts of minors under the age of 16 and prohibit them from creating new ones. They must also implement reasonable age verification methods to verify the ages of account holders. The bill allows minors aged 16 or 17 to create an account but the social media company must include links to help services, such as local resources for law enforcement, suicide prevention, and domestic abuse prevention services. The bill passed the House and Senate before being vetoed by Gov. Ron DeSantis. The decision to veto ultimately came down to supporting the rights of parents. Gov. DeSantis stated in his veto letter that **HB 3** will make a change that protects children while still supporting parents' rights, which he would gladly support.

### **Online Access to Materials Harmful to Minors**

**HB 3** by Rep. Chase Tramont (R-Port Orange) is a very similar bill to **HB 1**. The bill requires social media companies to use reasonable age verification through a third party, allow 16- and 17-year-olds to create a social media account, and provide resources to local law enforcement, suicide prevention, domestic abuse prevention, and other helpful links. The bill differs from **HB 1** by giving parents a voice in their children's social media usage. The bill allows minors aged 14 and 15 to create a social media account with the consent of a parent. Federal law sets the minimum age for social media accounts at 13 years old. This bill will set Florida's one year higher with parental consent.

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### **Live Healthy Act**

The “Live Healthy Act” was a main priority for President Passidomo and is composed of two bills. The bills are **SB 7016** by Sen. Colleen Burton (R-Lakeland) and **SB 7018** by Sen. Gayle Harrell (R-Stuart). The “Live Healthy Act” helps expand healthcare access into rural and difficult-to-access communities by expanding sites for more clinical training. The legislation also increases access to preventative health screenings to ensure early diagnosis and better management of chronic disease. It also streamlines emergency departments through partnerships with Community Health Centers so care that is urgently needed, but not life-threatening, can be handled outside of the hospital emergency room in a more efficient and cost-effective setting. “Live Healthy” also is attempting to tackle the shortage of healthcare workers throughout the state. The bill does this by increasing workforce mobility and by offering incentives for healthcare workers to work in needed fields such as labor and delivery, mental health, and disabilities. It also provides \$50 million in funding to increase the number of GME residency slots to help retain physicians from Florida schools. Another way the bills help rural and underserved communities is through targeted investments to help them integrate the latest healthcare technology.

### **Learn Local Act**

The “Learn Local Act” was another priority of President Passidomo and consisted of three bills. The bills are **SB 7000** by Sen. Alexis Calatayud (R-Miami), **SB 7002** by Sen. Travis Hutson (R-St. Augustine), and **SB 7004** by Sen. Corey Simon (R-Quincy). The legislation is designed to reduce excessive regulations on public schools, empower parents, teachers, and local school districts, and preserve strong accountability, transparency, and safety measures at neighborhood public schools. The trio of bills also allow parents more of a voice in their children’s education.

### **School Choice**

**HB 1403** by Rep. Josie Tomkow (R-Auburndale) establishes firm deadlines for Scholarship Funding Organizations (SFO) and parents related to the application and renewal of the Florida Tax Credit (FTC), PEP, FES-UA, and FES-EO scholarship programs. The deadlines prioritize disbursing scholarship funds to renewal students before new students. The bill authorizes FTC funds to be used for full-time private school scholarships year-round.

### **Unauthorized Public Camping and Public Sleeping**

**HB 1365** by Rep. Sam Garrison (R-Fleming Island) prohibits a county or municipality from allowing any person to regularly sleep or camp on public property unless the area has that designation. In order to get an area designated for public sleeping, the county’s governing body must support it by a majority vote and the Department of Children and Families must certify that it meets certain requirements. The minimum requirements are related to ensuring safety, security, sanitation, mental health and substance abuse services coordination, and illegal substance and alcohol use prohibition. The bill also authorizes the Department of Children and Families to inspect designated areas at any time and recommend closure if the minimum requirements are not being met. Finally, the bill establishes a civil cause of action that allows a resident of a county, a business owner in the county, or the Attorney General to bring a civil action against a county or municipality for authorizing public camping or sleeping in an area not designated for such purpose.

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### **Employment Regulations**

**HB 433** by the House Commerce Committee would prohibit local governments from preferring one contractor over another based on the wages or employment benefits provided by the contractor. The bill would also remove the ability of local governments to require a minimum wage for certain employees under the terms of a contract, would preempt the regulation of the terms of employment to the state, and allow local governments to provide certain employment benefits for the employees of the local government that exceed state or federal law.

### **Employment and Curfew of Minors**

**HB 49** by Rep. Linda Chaney (R-St. Petersburg) would have removed restrictions around employing minors aged 16 or 17. The bill would have allowed minors aged 16 or 17 to work up to 40 hours a week. These minors would have to be granted breaks and safe working conditions as a person 18 years or older. The bill would not have allowed minors aged 16 or 17 to work before 6:00 am or after 11:00 pm when school is scheduled the following day and would not have applied to minors who have earned their high school diploma.

### **Economic Development**

**HB 141** by Rep. Shane Abbott (R-DeFuniak Springs) eliminates several requirements related to the Regional Rural Development Grants Program. The bill would remove the requirements for grant funds received by a regional development organization to be matched each year by nonstate resources in an amount equal to 25-percent of the state contributions. It would also remove the requirement for local governments and private businesses to make financial or in-kind commitments to the regional organization as well as the requirement that the DOC consider the demonstrated need of the applicant for assistance when approving participants for the program. The bill received unanimous support in both chambers.

### **Funding for Environmental Resource Management**

**SB 1638** by Sen. Travis Hutson (R-Palm Coast) requires that 96-percent of the revenues from the 2021 gaming compact between the Seminole Tribe of Florida and the State of Florida for the acquisition and management of conservation lands and the identification and prioritization of critical clean water infrastructure investments be deposited in the Indian Gaming Revenue Trust Fund. The funds will be distributed as follows:

- \$100 million to support the wildlife corridor.
- \$100 million for the management of uplands and the removal of invasive species.
- \$100 million to the DEP to the Resilient Florida Trust Fund.

### **Interstate Mobility**

**SB 1600** by Sen. Jay Collins (R-Tampa) requires the regulatory boards in the Department of Professional Regulation (DBPR), when endorsement based on years of licensure is not otherwise provided by law in the practice act for a profession, to allow licensure by endorsement for any individual who applies for licensure by endorsement if the applicant meets certain specified criteria. The bill excludes harbor pilots. The bill also requires the Department of Health (DOH) to issue a license by endorsement to a qualified

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applicant within seven days of receipt of all required documents for specified healthcare professions regulated by the DOH when the applicant meets specific criteria.

### **Vacation Rentals**

**SB 280** by Sen. Nick DiCeglie (R-St. Petersburg) preempts the regulation of advertising platforms to the state. As for the properties themselves, the bill allows a local government to require vacation rentals to be registered. The bill allows local governments to charge a reasonable registration fee and to inspect a vacation rental after registration to verify compliance with the Florida Building Code and the Florida Fire Prevention Code. The bill establishes limits for a local government registration program, including requiring a vacation rental owner to provide proof of state licensure, submit identifying information, obtain any required tax registrations, and pay all recorded municipal or county code liens. Finally, the bill permits “grandfathered” local laws, ordinances, or regulations to be amended to be less restrictive or to comply with local registration requirements.

### **KEY BILLS THAT FAILED**

#### **Suits Against the Government**

**SB 472** by Sen. Jason Brodeur (R-Lake Mary) would have increased the cap on the payment of judgments against government entities from \$200,000 to \$400,000 per individual, and from \$300,000 to \$600,000 per instance without a claims bill. The bill would also have allowed local governments to settle claims of any amount without the need for legislative approval. It would also have enabled state agencies to pay amounts exceeding sovereign immunity waivers and insurance coverage through legislative claim bills. Lastly, the bill would have eliminated home venue privilege, meaning claimants would have more flexibility in choosing the lawsuit location.

#### **Government Accountability**

**HB 735** by Rep. Alex Andrade (R-Pensacola) would have prohibited state and local officials from soliciting or accepting anything of value from a foreign country of concern. It would have also centralized lobbyist registration for local governments with the State Commission on Ethics. Finally, the bill would have required that contracts for certain local government employees would not be renegotiated or extended within eight months of a general election for the governing body.

#### **County Commissioner Term Limits**

**HB 57** by Rep. Michelle Salzman (R-Cantonment) would have limited county commissioners to serve for a maximum of eight consecutive years. The bill would have excluded counties with charter provisions that conflict with its limits. A commissioner who termed out would have had to sit for two years before running for a different district seat or at-large seat of the county commission.

#### **Municipal Utilities**

**HB 1277** by Rep. Demi Busatta Cabrera (R-Coral Gables) and **SB 104** by Sen. Shevrin Jones (D-Miami) would have authorized a municipality to fund or finance general government functions with a portion of revenues from utility operations, establish limits on utility revenue transfers for municipal utilities, modify



provisions relating to permissible rates, fees, & charges imposed by municipal water & sewer utilities on customers located outside municipal boundaries.

### **CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS**

In addition to two citizen-initiative proposed Constitutional amendments dealing with adult personal use of marijuana and limiting government interference in abortion, the Florida Legislature approved two more proposed constitutional amendments for placement on the November 2024 general election ballot:

**HJR 7017** - Annual Adjustment to Homestead Exemption Value  
**SJR 1114** - Public Financing for Campaigns of Candidates for Elective Statewide Office

Also on the November 2024 ballot are two proposed Constitutional amendments that the Legislature passed during the 2023 Legislative Session related to the right to fish and hunt and district school board partisan elections. All six of these proposed Constitutional amendments require a 60% approval by Florida voters.

For more information about the Governor’s actions on the FY 2024-25 budget and the more than 325 bills that passed, be sure to subscribe to our firm’s weekly update. Please see the FAA Bill Report below.

### **Florida Attractions Association**

Ordered by Last Action

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| <b><u>HB 0049</u></b>  | <b>Employment and Curfew of Minors</b> by Chaney   |
| Employment and Curfew of Minors: Revises certain employment restrictions for minors 16 & 17 years of age; revises age at which employment restrictions apply; requires curfew adopted by county or municipal ordinance to include certain exceptions. Effective Date: July 1, 2024 |  |
| <b>Committees of Reference</b>   |  |
| House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee<br>House Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee<br>House Commerce Committee<br>Senate Rules  |  |
| <b>Actions</b>   |  |
| 03/08/2024   | SENATE In returning messages   |
| 03/08/2024   | SENATE Received from Messages; Concurred with Amendment (679511); Passed (Vote: 27 Yeas / 11 Nays) |
| 03/08/2024   | HOUSE Ordered enrolled   |
| <b><u>HB 7073</u></b>  | <b>Taxation</b> by Ways & Means Committee  |

Taxation: Revises provisions related to taxation including ordinances to levy taxes, renewable energy sources, document tax, food and beverage tax, rental tax & license fees, sales tax, referendums, extensions, distribution of tax funds, tax credits, IRS code, tourist development tax, & insurance premium tax. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

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**Committees of Reference**

House Appropriations Committee

**Actions**

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| 03/08/2024 | HOUSE In returning messages   |
| 03/08/2024 | HOUSE Received from Messages; Concurred with Amendment (635570); Passed (Vote: 110 Yeas / 0 Nays) |
| 03/08/2024 | HOUSE Ordered engrossed, then enrolled  |

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**HB 0433 Employment Regulations** by Esposito

Employment Regulations: Prohibits political subdivisions from maintaining minimum wage other than state or federal minimum wage & from controlling, affecting, or awarding preferences based on wages or employment benefits of entities doing business with political subdivision; preempts regulation of terms & conditions of employment & regulation of heat exposure requirements in workplace to state; requires Department of Commerce to adopt rules relating to heat exposure requirements if OSHA has not done so by date certain; provides requirements for such rules; prohibits local governments from mandating or imposing certain requirements or seeking information from certain persons relating to certain requirements. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

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**Committees of Reference**

House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee  
House State Affairs Committee  
House Commerce Committee

**Actions**

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| 03/08/2024 | HOUSE In returning messages   |
| 03/08/2024 | HOUSE Received from Messages; Concurred with Amendment (241284); Passed (Vote: 74 Yeas / 36 Nays) |
| 03/08/2024 | HOUSE Ordered engrossed, then enrolled  |

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**SB 0280 Vacation Rentals** by DiCeglie

Vacation Rentals; Requiring advertising platforms to collect and remit specified taxes for certain vacation rental transactions; defining the term “advertising platform”; adding licensing to the regulated activities of public lodging establishments and public food service establishments which are preempted to the state; requiring advertising platforms to require that persons placing advertisements or listings for vacation rentals include certain information in the advertisements or listings and attest to certain information; authorizing the division to revoke, refuse to issue or renew, or suspend vacation rental licenses under certain circumstances, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$4,321,901 Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2024

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**Committees of Reference**

Senate Regulated Industries

Senate Fiscal Policy

**Actions**

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| 03/07/2024 | SENATE Ordered engrossed, then enrolled |
| 03/08/2024 | SENATE Engrossed Text (E2) Filed        |
| 03/08/2024 | SENATE Enrolled Text (ER) Filed         |

**HB 0549**

**Theft** by Rommel

Theft: Reducing minimum threshold amount for grand theft of third degree; creates new offense of grand theft offenses; provides enhanced criminal penalties for committing petit theft of first degree & having certain previous convictions; revises number of thefts required within specified aggregation period required to commit specified violation for retail theft; revises specified timeframes in which individual acts of retail theft may be aggregated; prohibits retail theft with specified number of other persons for specified purpose; prohibits retail theft when social media platform is used to solicit participation; requires person convicted of retail theft to pay specified restitution. Effective Date: October 1, 2024

**Committees of Reference**

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House Criminal Justice Subcommittee  
House Justice Appropriations Subcommittee  
House Judiciary Committee

**Actions**

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| 03/05/2024 | HOUSE In returning messages   |
| 03/07/2024 | HOUSE Received from Messages; Concurred with Amendment (942840); Passed (Vote: 83 Yeas / 27 Nays) |
| 03/07/2024 | HOUSE Ordered engrossed, then enrolled  |

**SB 7074**

**Taxation** by Finance and Tax

Taxation; Prohibiting a plan for tourist development from allocating more than a certain percentage of the tax revenue to a publicly owned and operated convention center for certain purposes, unless approved by a supermajority vote; providing that a taxpayer has a right to know certain information regarding property determined not to have been entitled to a homestead exemption; revising the definition of the term “renewable energy source device”; providing that taxpayers are not responsible for specified payments in certain circumstances; revising conditions for when multifamily projects are considered property used for a charitable purpose and are eligible to receive an ad valorem property tax exemption; revising the value to which a certain ad valorem property tax exemption applies, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2024

**Committees of Reference**

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Senate Finance and Tax  
Senate Appropriations

**Actions**

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| 03/04/2024 | SENATE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading         |
| 03/05/2024 | SENATE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/07/24 |

03/07/2024

SENATE Read Second Time; Substituted for HB 7073; Laid on Table,  
Refer to HB 7073

**SB 0804** **Gaming Licenses and Permits** by Hutson

Gaming Licenses and Permits; Authorizing the Florida Gaming Control Commission to deny an application for licensure of, or suspend or revoke the license of, any person who falsely swears under oath or affirmation to certain material statements on his or her application for a license; providing that such persons are subject to other applicable penalties; requiring applicants for licenses and licensees to notify the commission of certain contact information and of any change in such contact information and providing penalties for failure to comply; revising the timeframe during which a permitholder is required to annually file an application for an operating license for a pari-mutuel facility during the next state fiscal year; authorizing a licensed horse track to receive broadcasts of horseraces conducted at horse racetracks outside this state if certain conditions are met, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

**Committees of Reference**

Senate Regulated Industries  
Senate Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government  
Senate Rules

**Actions**

03/06/2024 HOUSE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 111 Yeas / 3 Nays)  
03/06/2024 SENATE Ordered enrolled  
03/06/2024 SENATE Enrolled Text (ER) Filed

**SB 7026** **Public Records/Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services** by Agriculture

Public Records/Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; Providing an exemption from public records requirements for certain information held by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

**Committees of Reference**

Senate Agriculture  
Senate Rules

**Actions**

03/06/2024 HOUSE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 115 Yeas / 0 Nays)  
03/06/2024 SENATE Ordered enrolled  
03/06/2024 SENATE Enrolled Text (ER) Filed

**SB 1084** **Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services** by Collins

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; Preempting the regulation of electric vehicle charging stations to the state; prohibiting local governmental entities from enacting or enforcing such regulations; providing that a pest control operator's certificate, a special identification card, and certain limited certifications for pesticide applicators, respectively, expire a specified length of time after issuance; authorizing the department to take disciplinary action against a person who swears to or affirms a false statement on certain

applications, cheats on a required examination, or violates certain procedures under certain circumstances; authorizing Class "G" licensees to qualify for multiple calibers of firearms in one requalification class under certain circumstances; prohibiting the manufacture for sale, sale, holding or offering for sale, or distribution of cultivated meat in this state, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

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Senate Agriculture  
Senate Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government  
Senate Fiscal Policy

#### **Actions**

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| 03/06/2024 | HOUSE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 86 Yeas / 27 Nays) |
| 03/06/2024 | SENATE Ordered enrolled                                 |
| 03/06/2024 | SENATE Enrolled Text (ER) Filed                         |

### **SB 1568 Fantasy Sports Contest Amusement Act by Hutson**

Fantasy Sports Contest Amusement Act; Designating the "Fantasy Sports Contest Amusement Act"; requiring the Florida Gaming Control Commission to enforce and administer the act; providing application requirements for fantasy sports contest operator licenses; requiring a contest operator to implement specified consumer protection procedures; requiring contest operators to keep and maintain certain records for a specified period, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

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Senate Regulated Industries  
Senate Fiscal Policy

#### **Actions**

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| 03/04/2024 | SENATE Retained on Special Order Calendar      |
| 03/05/2024 | SENATE Temporarily Postponed on Second Reading |
| 03/05/2024 | SENATE Retained on Calendar                    |

### **SB 1566 Fees/Fantasy Sports Contest Operator by Hutson**

Fees/Fantasy Sports Contest Operator; Requiring applicants for a fantasy sports contest operator license to pay a specified application fee; requiring contest operators to pay a specified annual license renewal fee; prohibiting such fees from exceeding a specified amount; requiring applicants and contest operators to provide certain written evidence; requiring contest operators to remit certain fees, etc. Effective Date: On the same date that SB 1568 or similar legislation takes effect, if such legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes a law

#### **Committees of Reference**

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Senate Regulated Industries  
Senate Fiscal Policy

#### **Actions**

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| 03/04/2024 | SENATE Retained on Special Order Calendar |
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03/05/2024 SENATE Temporarily Postponed on Second Reading

03/05/2024 SENATE Retained on Calendar

**HB 0909** **Pari-mutuel Permitholders** by Esposito

Pari-mutuel Permitholders: Revises provisions related to Florida Gaming Control Commission, applicants, licensees, operating licenses, performance dates, suspension of licenses, financial records, broadcasts of races, leasing of facilities, nonwagering licenses, nonwagering horseracing, thoroughbred racing, audits, & waivers. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2024.

**Committees of Reference**

House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee  
House State Administration & Technology Appropriations Subcommittee  
House Commerce Committee

**Actions**

02/26/2024 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed  
02/27/2024 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading  
03/05/2024 HOUSE Laid on Table

**HB 1071** **Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services** by Alvarez

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services: Revises, repeals, & creates various provisions relating to electric vehicle charging stations; pest control & fumigation; commercial landscaping & wildlife management; weapons & firearms; charitable organizations & professional solicitors; cultivated meat & saw palmetto berries; motor vehicle repair shops; Florida Agricultural Museum; trespass on & theft of property; weights & measures; household moving & shipping services; agricultural school activities; hunter ID program; & penalties for various violations. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

**Committees of Reference**

House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee  
House Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee  
House Infrastructure Strategies Committee

**Actions**

02/26/2024 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed  
02/27/2024 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading  
03/05/2024 HOUSE Laid on Table

**HB 1537** **Vacation Rentals** by Griffitts Jr.

Vacation Rentals: Authorizes local governments to adopt vacation rental registration programs; requires advertising platforms to require persons placing advertisements or listings for vacation rentals include certain information in advertisements or listings; requires advertising platforms to remove ability to book advertisement or listing & to provide to DBPR list of all vacation rentals which are advertised on their platforms; requires advertising platforms to adopt antidiscrimination policy; requires division to create & maintain vacation rental information system. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

## Committees of Reference

House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee  
House Commerce Committee

### Actions

02/26/2024 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed  
02/27/2024 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading  
03/05/2024 HOUSE Laid on Table

## SB 1222

### Theft by Trumbull

Theft; Reducing the minimum threshold amount for grand theft of the third degree; creating the offense of grand theft of the third degree; providing criminal penalties; defining the term "social media platform"; providing criminal penalties for persons committing certain retail theft acts in concert with a certain number of other persons within one or more establishments for specified purposes, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2024

### Committees of Reference

Senate Criminal Justice  
Senate Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice  
Senate Fiscal Policy

### Actions

02/23/2024 SENATE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading  
03/01/2024 SENATE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/05/24  
03/05/2024 SENATE Read Second Time; Substituted for HB 0549; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 0549

## SB 7080

### Trust Funds/Indian Gaming Revenue Clearing Trust Fund/Department of Financial Services by Appropriations

Trust Funds/Indian Gaming Revenue Clearing Trust Fund/Department of Financial Services; Creating the Indian Gaming Revenue Clearing Trust Fund within the Department of Financial Services; providing that the trust fund is exempt from a certain service charge; exempting the trust fund from certain termination provisions, etc. Effective Date: On the same date that SB 1638 or similar legislation takes effect, if such legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes a law

### Committees of Reference

Senate Appropriations

### Actions

03/05/2024 HOUSE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 114 Yeas / 0 Nays)  
03/05/2024 SENATE Ordered enrolled  
03/05/2024 SENATE Enrolled Text (ER) Filed

## SB 1456

### Counties Designated as Areas of Critical State Concern by Rodriguez

Counties Designated as Areas of Critical State Concern; Adding certain requirements to local comprehensive plans relating to a hurricane evacuation study; revising the powers of the

land authority; excluding land designated as an area of critical state concern within a specified timeframe from award requirements made to specified sponsors or persons for the purpose of providing eligible housing as a part of a local housing assistance plan; requiring that the expenditure of certain funds be subject to approval by a majority vote of the board of county commissioners of an eligible county, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

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Senate Community Affairs  
Senate Finance and Tax  
Senate Appropriations

#### **Actions**

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| 03/05/2024 | HOUSE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 115 Yeas / 0 Nays) |
| 03/05/2024 | SENATE Ordered enrolled                                 |
| 03/05/2024 | SENATE Enrolled Text (ER) Filed                         |

### **SB 1492 Employment Regulations by Trumbull**

Employment Regulations; Prohibiting a political subdivision from requiring employers to meet or provide heat exposure requirements beyond those required by law; prohibiting a political subdivision from giving preference to or considering or seeking information from an employer in a competitive solicitation based on or relating to an employer's heat exposure requirements, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

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Senate Commerce and Tourism  
Senate Community Affairs  
Senate Rules

#### **Actions**

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| 02/27/2024 | SENATE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading   |
| 03/01/2024 | SENATE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/05/24                                 |
| 03/05/2024 | SENATE Read Second Time; Substituted for HB 0433; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 0433 |

### **HB 1297 Affordable Housing in Counties Designated as Areas of Critical State Concern by Mooney, Jr.**

Affordable Housing in Counties Designated as Areas of Critical State Concern: Excludes land designated as area of critical state concern from affordable housing provisions; adds requirements to local comprehensive plans relating to hurricane evacuation study; provides requirements for conveying affordable housing homeownership units; excludes land designated as area of critical state concern from award requirements for purpose of providing eligible housing as part of local housing assistance plan; authorizes counties that have been designated as areas of critical state concern to use tourist development tax revenue & tourist impact tax revenue for affordable housing. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

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House Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee  
House Ways & Means Committee  
House State Affairs Committee



### **Actions**

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| 02/27/2024 | HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/01/24 |
| 03/01/2024 | HOUSE Temporarily Postponed on Second Reading    |
| 03/04/2024 | HOUSE Laid on Table                              |

### **SB 1046**

#### **Gaming Control** by Martin

Gaming Control; Prohibiting a person from falsely personating any personnel or representative from the Florida Gaming Control Commission; increasing the criminal penalty for specified violations involving a slot machine or device; providing requirements for notice of violations; prohibiting a person from making false statements or disseminating false information regarding the legality of a slot machine or device to facilitate the sale or delivery of such device; prohibiting a person from, for profit or hire, transporting or procuring the transportation of a specified number of other persons to facilitate illegal gambling, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

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Senate Regulated Industries  
Senate Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government  
Senate Fiscal Policy

#### **Actions**

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| 02/28/2024 | SENATE Read Second Time; Amendments Adopted (898240, 800088);<br>Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 31 Yeas / 7 Nays) |
| 02/28/2024 | SENATE Engrossed Text (E1) Filed  |
| 02/28/2024 | HOUSE In Messages   |

### **HB 1465**

#### **Pet Insurance and Wellness Programs** by Tuck

Pet Insurance and Wellness Programs: Revises definition of term "property insurance" to include pet insurance; requires pet insurers to make certain disclosures to pet insurance applicants & policyholders; authorizes pet insurers to issue policies that exclude coverage on basis of preexisting conditions; provides pet insurer has specified burden of proof with regard to exclusions; requires pet insurers who issue policy that imposes waiting period to include provision allowing for waiver of waiting period upon completion of medical examination of covered pet by veterinarian. Effective Date: January 1, 2025

#### **Committees of Reference**

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House Insurance & Banking Subcommittee  
House Commerce Committee

#### **Actions**

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| 02/28/2024 | HOUSE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 115 Yeas / 0 Nays) |
| 02/28/2024 | SENATE In Messages                                      |
| 02/28/2024 | SENATE Received; Referred to Fiscal Policy              |

### **SB 0106**

#### **Acceptance of Cash Payments by Businesses** by Jones

Acceptance of Cash Payments by Businesses; Requiring certain businesses to accept cash payments for certain transactions; authorizing a business to satisfy such requirements by

placing a cash-to-card kiosk at the business location for customers to make payments; prohibiting such businesses from charging a fee or placing conditions on acceptance of such cash payments, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

Senate Commerce and Tourism  
Senate Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government  
Senate Fiscal Policy (Current Reference)

#### **Actions**

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| 01/22/2024 | SENATE Now in Fiscal Policy  |
| 02/22/2024 | SENATE On Committee agenda - Fiscal Policy, 02/27/24, 9:00 am, 412 K |
| 02/27/2024 | SENATE Temporarily Postponed by Fiscal Policy                        |

### **HB 0189 Gaming Control** by Salzman

Gaming Control: Prohibits falsely personating personnel from Gaming Control Commission; specifies violation of prohibition against keeping gambling house must be committed knowingly; requires court to order offender to pay fine if he or she is convicted of trafficking in slot machines; prohibits person from making false statements regarding legality of slot machine to facilitate sale or delivery; prohibits person from transporting of specified number of other persons to facilitate illegal gambling; prohibits specified activities relating to advertisements; specifies regulation of gambling is expressly preempted to state; requires court to consider amount of currency seized that is connected to specified violations relating to illegal gambling when determining bail. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee  
House Appropriations Committee  
House Judiciary Committee

#### **Actions**

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| 02/21/2024 | HOUSE Favorable with CS by Judiciary Committee; 16 Yeas, 4 Nays |
| 02/22/2024 | HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed                      |
| 02/23/2024 | HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading                        |

### **HB 7079 Fantasy Sports Contest Amusement Act** by Commerce Committee

Fantasy Sports Contest Amusement Act: Creates provisions related to the regulation & authorization of fantasy sports contests. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

No committees referenced

#### **Actions**

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| 02/19/2024 | HOUSE Filed (Formerly PCB COM1)          |
| 02/21/2024 | HOUSE Bill referred to House Calendar    |
| 02/21/2024 | HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading |

### **HB 7081 Fee/Fantasy Sports Contests** by Commerce Committee

Fee/Fantasy Sports Contests: Requires applicants for fantasy sports contest operator license & operators to pay specified fee; provides limitation on such fee; authorizes imposition of certain fees for fingerprint processing. Effective Date: on the same date that HB 7079 or similar legislation takes effect

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**Committees of Reference**

No committees referenced

**Actions**

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| 02/19/2024 | HOUSE Filed (Formerly PCB COM2)          |
| 02/21/2024 | HOUSE Bill referred to House Calendar    |
| 02/21/2024 | HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading |

**APC5**

**Indian Gaming Revenue Trust Fund** by Appropriations Committee

PCB APC 24-05 - Indian Gaming Revenue Trust Fund

**Committees of Reference**

House Appropriations Committee (Current Reference)

**Actions**

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|            |   |
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| 02/16/2024 | HOUSE On Committee agenda - Appropriations Committee, 02/20/24, 1:00 pm, 212 K                                    |
| 02/21/2024 | HOUSE Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably by Appropriations Committee on 02/20/24; 29 Yeas, 0 Nays |
| 02/21/2024 | HOUSE Committee Bill Text Filed as HB 7083  |

**COM2**

**Fees** by Commerce Committee

PCB COM 24-02 – Fees

**Committees of Reference**

House Commerce Committee (Current Reference)

**Actions**

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|            |   |
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| 02/13/2024 | HOUSE On Committee agenda - Commerce Committee, 02/15/24, 9:00 am, 212 K                        |
| 02/15/2024 | HOUSE Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably by Commerce Committee; 15 Yeas, 2 Nays |
| 02/19/2024 | HOUSE Committee Bill Filed as HB 7081   |

**COM1**

**Fantasy Sports Contest Amusement Act** by Commerce Committee

PCB COM 24-01 – Fantasy Sports Contest Amusement Act

**Committees of Reference**

House Commerce Committee (Current Reference)

**Actions**

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| 02/13/2024 | HOUSE On Committee agenda - Commerce Committee, 02/15/24, 9:00 am, 212 K                       |
| 02/15/2024 | HOUSE Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably by Commerce Committee; 17 Yeas, 1 Nay |
| 02/19/2024 | HOUSE Committee Bill Filed as HB 7079  |

**HB 0609 Local Business Taxes** by Botana

Local Business Taxes: Revising provisions related to local business taxes including conditions imposed on taxing authorities governing levies, modification of ordinances, reclassification of businesses, prohibitions on revenues over a specified value, and audits. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

**Committees of Reference**

House Ways & Means Committee  
House State Affairs Committee

**Actions**

|            |   |
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| 02/14/2024 | HOUSE Favorable with CS by State Affairs Committee; 12 Yeas, 7 Nays |
| 02/15/2024 | HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed                          |
| 02/16/2024 | HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading                            |

**WMC5 Taxation** by Ways & Means Committee

PCB WMC 24-05 – Taxation

**Committees of Reference**

House Ways & Means Committee (Current Reference)

**Actions**

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| 02/14/2024 | HOUSE Submitted as Committee Bill and Reported Favorably by Ways & Means Committee; 16 Yeas, 6 Nays   |
| 02/15/2024 | HOUSE Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 02/16/24, 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken) |
| 02/15/2024 | HOUSE Committee Bill Text Filed as HB 7073  |

**SB 0662 Virtual Currency Kiosk Businesses** by Burton

Virtual Currency Kiosk Businesses; Requiring the Office of Financial Regulation of the Financial Services Commission to supervise virtual currency kiosk businesses; prohibiting a virtual currency kiosk business from operating without registering or renewing its registration in accordance with certain provisions; providing criminal penalties for certain entities that operate or solicit business as a virtual currency kiosk business under certain circumstances; providing criminal penalties for persons who register or attempt to register as a virtual currency kiosk business by certain means; specifying application requirements for registering as a virtual currency kiosk business, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect January 1, 2025

**Committees of Reference**

Senate Banking and Insurance  
Senate Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government  
Senate Fiscal Policy (Current Reference)

#### **Actions**

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| 02/09/2024 | Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Criminal Justice Impact Conference, 02/12/24, 10:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken) |
| 02/13/2024 | SENATE Favorable by Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays                      |
| 02/13/2024 | SENATE Now in Fiscal Policy  |

#### **HB 0769**

#### **Assessment of Renewable Energy Source Devices** by Bankson

Assessment of Renewable Energy Source Devices: Revises definition of term "renewable energy source device." Effective Date: upon becoming a law

#### **Committees of Reference**

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House Energy, Communications & Cybersecurity Subcommittee  
House Ways & Means Committee  
House Commerce Committee (Current Reference)

#### **Actions**

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| 02/08/2024 | HOUSE Favorable with CS by Ways & Means Committee; 22 Yeas, 1 Nay |
| 02/09/2024 | HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed                        |
| 02/12/2024 | HOUSE Now in Commerce Committee                                   |

#### **SB 0188**

#### **Trespass on Commercial Agricultural Property** by Brodeur

Trespass on Commercial Agricultural Property; Providing enhanced criminal penalties for trespass with specified intent on certain commercial agricultural property; defining the term "commercial agricultural property", etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

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Senate Criminal Justice  
Senate Agriculture (Current Reference)  
Senate Rules

#### **Actions**

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| 12/05/2023 | SENATE Favorable by Criminal Justice; 6 Yeas, 1 Nay  |
| 12/05/2023 | SENATE Now in Agriculture  |
| 02/09/2024 | Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Criminal Justice Impact Conference, 02/12/24, 10:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken) |

#### **SB 1748**

#### **Tourist Development Tax** by Brodeur

Tourist Development Tax; Prohibiting a plan for tourist development from allocating more than a certain percentage of the tax revenue to an individual project unless the governing board of the county approves such use by supermajority vote, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

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Senate Commerce and Tourism  
Senate Finance and Tax  
Senate Appropriations (Current Reference)

**Actions**

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| 02/05/2024 | SENATE On Committee agenda - Finance and Tax, 02/08/24, 10:45 am, 37 S |
| 02/08/2024 | SENATE Favorable by Finance and Tax; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays                    |
| 02/08/2024 | SENATE Now in Appropriations   |

**SB 1338**

**Pet Insurance** by DiCeglie

Pet Health; Revising the definition of the term "property insurance"; providing that certain practices related to pet wellness programs are unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices; designating the "Pet Insurance Act"; requiring pet insurers that use such defined terms in their pet insurance policies to use the statutory definition in their policies; requiring pet insurers to make certain disclosures to pet insurance applicants and policyholders, etc. Effective Date: 1/1/2025

**Committees of Reference**

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Senate Banking and Insurance  
Senate Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government (Current Reference)  
Senate Fiscal Policy

**Actions**

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| 02/06/2024 | SENATE Favorable with CS by Banking and Insurance; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays                         |
| 02/08/2024 | SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed  |
| 02/08/2024 | SENATE Now in Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government |

**HB 0337**

**Sales Tax on Motor Vehicle Leases and Rentals** by Roth

Sales Tax on Motor Vehicle Leases and Rentals: Provides that sales tax does not apply to certain leases or rentals of motor vehicles. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

**Committees of Reference**

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House Ways & Means Committee  
House Commerce Committee (Current Reference)

**Actions**

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| 02/06/2024 | HOUSE On Committee agenda - Ways & Means Committee, 02/08/24, 10:30 am, 404 H |
| 02/08/2024 | HOUSE Favorable by Ways & Means Committee; 20 Yeas, 0 Nays                    |
| 02/08/2024 | HOUSE Now in Commerce Committee   |

**HB 1081**

**Tourist Development** by Porras

Tourist Development: Requires certain counties to use revenue received from tourist development tax in specified manner; requires that charter county convention development

moneys be distributed to certain entities for specified purposes; deletes specified notification requirement. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee  
House Ways & Means Committee (Current Reference)  
House Commerce Committee

#### **Actions**

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| 02/02/2024 | HOUSE On Committee agenda - Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee, 02/06/24, 8:00 am, 212 K |
| 02/06/2024 | HOUSE Favorable by Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays                   |
| 02/06/2024 | HOUSE Now in Ways & Means Committee   |

### **HB 1659**

#### **Location of Equipment Owned by Amusement Business Owner by Fabricio**

Location of Equipment Owned by Amusement Business Owner: Prohibits counties & municipalities from enacting policies, ordinances, regulations, or other measures that require payment from amusement business owner for placement, parking, or storage of equipment for longer than specified length of time on certain lands classified as agricultural lands. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee  
House State Affairs Committee (Current Reference)  
House Commerce Committee

#### **Actions**

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| 02/02/2024 | HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed   |
| 02/05/2024 | HOUSE Reference to Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee removed; Reference to State Affairs Committee added; Remaining references: State Affairs Committee; Commerce Committee |
| 02/05/2024 | HOUSE Now in State Affairs Committee   |

### **SB 1770**

#### **Tax-filing Extensions by Gruters**

Tax-filing Extensions; Authorizing an automatic extension for filing returns and remitting taxes on sales, use, and other transactions and for filing state income tax returns, respectively, when specified states of emergency are declared, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

Senate Commerce and Tourism (Current Reference)  
Senate Finance and Tax  
Senate Appropriations

#### **Actions**

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| 01/05/2024 | SENATE Filed |
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| 01/11/2024 | SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Finance and Tax; Appropriations   |
| 01/31/2024 | Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 02/02/24 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken) |

**SB 1596 Employment of Minors by Burgess**

Employment of Minors; Removing certain employment restrictions for minors 16 and 17 years of age; revising the age at which certain employment restrictions apply; authorizing the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to grant waivers of certain employment restrictions; specifying applicable penalties for noncompliant employers, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

**Committees of Reference**

Senate Commerce and Tourism  
Senate Regulated Industries (Current Reference)  
Senate Rules

**Actions**

|            |   |
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| 01/25/2024 | SENATE On Committee agenda - Commerce and Tourism, 01/30/24, 9:00 am, 110 S |
| 01/30/2024 | SENATE Favorable by Commerce and Tourism; 4 Yeas, 1 Nay                     |
| 01/30/2024 | SENATE Now in Regulated Industries  |

**SB 1072 Tourist Development by Avila**

Tourist Development; Providing an exception to the authorized uses of revenues received by counties imposing the tourist development tax; specifying uses of tax revenues received by certain counties imposing the tourist development tax; requiring that charter county convention development moneys be distributed to the governing boards of municipalities for specified purposes; revising the purposes for which a county may use charter county convention development moneys, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

**Committees of Reference**

Senate Commerce and Tourism  
Senate Finance and Tax (Current Reference)  
Senate Appropriations

**Actions**

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| 01/25/2024 | SENATE On Committee agenda - Commerce and Tourism, 01/30/24, 9:00 am, 110 S |
| 01/30/2024 | SENATE Favorable by Commerce and Tourism; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays                    |
| 01/30/2024 | SENATE Now in Finance and Tax   |

**HB 0907 Gaming Licenses and Permits by Sirois**

Gaming Licenses and Permits: Revises provisions related to Florida Gaming Control Commission; performance schedules & dates; fees & taxes; occupational licenses; operating licenses; unclaimed tickets; & slot machine licenses. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

**Committees of Reference**



House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee  
House State Administration & Technology Appropriations Subcommittee (Current Reference)  
House Commerce Committee

#### **Actions**

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01/22/2024 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee, 01/24/24, 8:00 am, 212 K

01/24/2024 HOUSE Favorable by Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee; 13 Yeas, 0 Nays

01/24/2024 HOUSE Now in State Administration & Technology Appropriations Subcommittee

#### **HB 0435 Cultivated Meat** by Sirois

Cultivated Meat: Prohibits manufacturing, sale, holding, or distribution of cultivated meat; provides for penalties & orders; authorizes DACS to adopt rules. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

#### **Committees of Reference**

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House Agriculture, Conservation & Resiliency Subcommittee  
House Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee (Current Reference)  
House Infrastructure Strategies Committee

#### **Actions**

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01/17/2024 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Agriculture, Conservation & Resiliency Subcommittee, 01/19/24, 4:00 pm, 404 H

01/19/2024 HOUSE Favorable by Agriculture, Conservation & Resiliency Subcommittee; 10 Yeas, 4 Nays

01/19/2024 HOUSE Now in Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee

#### **SB 1166 Florida Main Street Program and Historic Preservation Tax Credits** by DiCeglie

Florida Main Street Program and Historic Preservation Tax Credits; Citing this act as the "Main Street Historical Tourism and Revitalization Act"; specifying eligibility requirements for receiving specified tax credits; specifying requirements for the Department of Revenue relating to approving and denying certain applications and granting credits; authorizing the department to make certain information available to the Division of Historical Resources and the Secretary of the United States Department of the Interior for specified purposes; revising the order in which tax credits against the corporate income tax or the franchise tax are applied, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

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Senate Commerce and Tourism  
Senate Finance and Tax (Current Reference)  
Senate Appropriations

#### **Actions**

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01/16/2024 SENATE Favorable with CS by Commerce and Tourism; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

01/17/2024 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

01/18/2024 SENATE Now in Finance and Tax

**SB 0272** **Appointment of Courtroom Animal Advocates** by Bradley

Appointment of Courtroom Animal Advocates; Authorizing a court to order that a separate advocate be appointed in the interests of justice for certain criminal proceedings regarding a cat or dog's welfare or custody; providing that a judge's decision denying an appointment of such an advocate is not subject to appeal; providing requirements for an individual to serve as an advocate, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

**Committees of Reference**

Senate Judiciary  
Senate Criminal Justice (Current Reference)  
Senate Rules

**Actions**

01/11/2024 SENATE On Committee agenda - Judiciary, 01/16/24, 8:30 am, 412 K  
01/16/2024 SENATE Favorable by Judiciary; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays  
01/16/2024 SENATE Now in Criminal Justice

**HB 1599** **Tourist Development Tax** by Truenow

Tourist Development Tax: Prohibits allocation of more than certain percentage of tourist development tax revenue from individual project without a supermajority vote by a specified entity. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

**Committees of Reference**

House Ways & Means Committee (Current Reference)  
House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee  
House Commerce Committee

**Actions**

01/08/2024 HOUSE Filed  
01/13/2024 HOUSE Referred to Ways & Means Committee; Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee; Commerce Committee  
01/13/2024 HOUSE Now in Ways & Means Committee

**HB 1481** **Taxes, Licenses, and Fees** by Beltran

Taxes, Licenses, and Fees: Revising provisions related to indigent care & trauma center surtax, fees for certificates of title, license taxes, voluntary contributions, International Registration Plans, fees for driver licenses & identification cards, driver license endorsements, citrus assessments, recreational licenses & permits, court costs for criminal offenses, state park fees, fees & costs for certain firearm licenses, & tax extensions. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

**Committees of Reference**

House Ways & Means Committee (Current Reference)  
House Appropriations Committee

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**Actions**

01/07/2024 HOUSE Filed

01/13/2024 HOUSE Referred to Ways & Means Committee; Appropriations Committee

01/13/2024 HOUSE Now in Ways & Means Committee

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**HB 1453 Tourist Development Tax** by Valdes

Tourist Development Tax: Authorizes proceeds of tourist development tax to be used toward funding incentives for the production of films & television series by certain production companies. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

**Committees of Reference**

House Ways & Means Committee (Current Reference)  
House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee  
House Commerce Committee

**Actions**

01/07/2024 HOUSE Filed

01/13/2024 HOUSE Referred to Ways & Means Committee; Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee; Commerce Committee

01/13/2024 HOUSE Now in Ways & Means Committee

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**HB 1257 Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes** by Cassel

Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes: Transfers division to DLA by type two transfer by specified date; requires DBPR & DLA to enter into memorandum of agreement by specified date; requires DLA to develop rules & procedures for resolving certain disputes to include all possible means of alternative dispute resolution. Effective Date: July 1, 2025

**Committees of Reference**

House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee (Current Reference)  
House Appropriations Committee  
House Commerce Committee

**Actions**

01/04/2024 HOUSE Filed

01/13/2024 HOUSE Referred to Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee; Appropriations Committee; Commerce Committee

01/13/2024 HOUSE Now in Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee

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**HB 1207 Vacation Rentals with Swimming Pools** by Harris

Vacation Rentals with Swimming Pools: Provides requirements for operators of vacation rentals that have swimming pools; provides certain notice requirements. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

**Committees of Reference**

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House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee (Current Reference)  
House Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee  
House Commerce Committee

#### **Actions**

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| 01/04/2024 | HOUSE Filed   |
| 01/13/2024 | HOUSE Referred to Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee; Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee; Commerce Committee |
| 01/13/2024 | HOUSE Now in Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee  |

### **SB 1678 Taxes, Fines, and Fees by Gruters**

Taxes, Fines, and Fees; Deleting a provision allowing the indigent care and trauma center surtax to be levied without a majority vote of electors; restoring provisions relating to the payment of funds collected by a county officer into the State Treasury; eliminating fees for original, renewal, and replacement driver licenses and identification cards, certain driver license endorsements, reinstatement of driver licenses, and certain requests for review or hearing; revising a specified assessment on citrus, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

Senate Transportation (Current Reference)  
Senate Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development  
Senate Appropriations

#### **Actions**

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| 01/05/2024 | SENATE Filed   |
| 01/11/2024 | SENATE Referred to Transportation; Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations |

### **SB 1650 Central Florida Tourism Oversight District, Orange and Osceola Counties by Stewart**

Central Florida Tourism Oversight District, Orange and Osceola Counties; Repealing provisions which established the Central Florida Tourism Oversight District; reviving, reenacting, and readopting chapter 67-764, Laws of Florida, and the decree in chancery No. 66-1061 entered by the Circuit Court in and for the Ninth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida on May 13, 1966, relating to the Reedy Creek Improvement District, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

#### **Committees of Reference**

Senate Community Affairs (Current Reference)  
Senate Judiciary  
Senate Rules

#### **Actions**

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| 01/05/2024 | SENATE Filed   |
| 01/11/2024 | SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary; Rules |

### **SB 1594 Tourist Impact Tax by Stewart**

Tourist Impact Tax; Authorizing that tax revenue from the tourist development tax be used to fund a county destination marketing organization; prohibiting a county that funds a county destination marketing organization with a certain percentage of tourist development tax revenue from reducing the destination marketing organization's annual general use fund allocation of revenue without a vote of the county's governing board membership, etc.  
Effective Date: 7/1/2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

Senate Commerce and Tourism (Current Reference)  
Senate Finance and Tax  
Senate Appropriations

#### **Actions**

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| 01/05/2024 | SENATE Filed   |
| 01/10/2024 | SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Finance and Tax; Appropriations |

### **SB 1378 Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes by Pizzo**

Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes; Transferring the division to the Department of Legal Affairs by a type two transfer on a date certain; requiring the Department of Business and Professional Regulation and the Department of Legal Affairs to enter into a memorandum of agreement by a date certain; requiring the Department of Legal Affairs to develop rules and procedures for resolving certain disputes to include all possible means of alternative dispute resolution, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect July 1, 2024, this act shall take effect July 1, 2025

#### **Committees of Reference**

Senate Regulated Industries (Current Reference)  
Senate Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government  
Senate Fiscal Policy

#### **Actions**

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| 01/04/2024 | SENATE Filed   |
| 01/10/2024 | SENATE Referred to Regulated Industries; Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; Fiscal Policy |

### **HB 1183 Florida Main Street Program and Historic Preservation Tax Credits by Barnaby**

Florida Main Street Program and Historic Preservation Tax Credits: Specifies eligibility requirements for receiving specified tax credits for taxpayers that rehabilitate certified historic structures; specifies requirements for DOR relating to applications & credits; specifies requirements for such tax credits; authorizes carryforward, sale, & transfer of tax credits; provides limitation; revises order in which tax credits against corporate income tax credit or franchise tax are applied; revises order in which tax credits & deductions against insurance premium tax are applied. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

House Ways & Means Committee (Current Reference)  
House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee  
House Commerce Committee

**Actions**

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| 01/03/2024 | HOUSE Filed   |
| 01/09/2024 | HOUSE Referred to Ways & Means Committee; Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee; Commerce Committee |
| 01/09/2024 | HOUSE Now in Ways & Means Committee   |

**HB 1059 Fees/Virtual Currency Kiosks by Steele**

Fees/Virtual Currency Kiosks: Provides nonrefundable fees for registration, registration renewal, & late registration renewal applications as virtual currency kiosk businesses; provides that registration fees are not prorated. Effective Date: on the same date that HB 977 or similar legislation takes effect

**Committees of Reference**

No committees referenced

**Actions**

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| 12/28/2023 | HOUSE Filed                           |
| 01/09/2024 | HOUSE Withdrawn prior to introduction |

**SB 1182 Fees/Virtual Currency Kiosk Business by Burton**

Fees/Virtual Currency Kiosk Business; Requiring an applicant to submit a nonrefundable fee to apply to be registered as a virtual currency kiosk business, etc. Effective Date: On the same date that SB 662 or similar legislation takes effect, if such legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes a law

**Committees of Reference**

Senate Banking and Insurance (Current Reference)  
Senate Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government  
Senate Fiscal Policy

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| 01/02/2024 | SENATE Filed  |
| 01/08/2024 | SENATE Referred to Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; Fiscal Policy |

**SB 1144 Local Business Taxes by DiCeglie**

Local Business Taxes; Repealing provisions relating to local business taxes, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

**Committees of Reference**

Senate Community Affairs (Current Reference)  
Senate Finance and Tax  
Senate Appropriations

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| 01/02/2024 | SENATE Filed  |
| 01/08/2024 | SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Finance and Tax; Appropriations |

**HB 0945 Heat Illness Prevention by Gottlieb**

Heat Illness Prevention: Requires employers to implement outdoor heat exposure safety program that has been approved by specified departments; specifies requirements for safety program; provides responsibilities for employers & employees; requires specified annual training on heat illness & providing requirements for such training; requires DACS, in conjunction with DOH, to adopt specified rules. Effective Date: October 1, 2024

**Committees of Reference**

House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee (Current Reference)  
House Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee  
House Commerce Committee

**Actions**

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| 12/19/2023 | HOUSE Filed  |
| 01/05/2024 | HOUSE Referred to Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee; Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee; Commerce Committee |
| 01/05/2024 | HOUSE Now in Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee   |

**HB 0977 Virtual Currency Kiosk Businesses by Steele**

Virtual Currency Kiosk Businesses: Requires OFR to supervise virtual currency kiosk businesses; provides legislative intent; prohibits virtual currency kiosk business from operating without registering; requires certain entities to be licensed as money services businesses; provides that registration is not transferable or assignable; specifies requirements for certain disclosures & attestations; requires registrant to transact business under its legal name; requires registrant to hold new customers' assets in initial transactions in segregated wallets for specified period before initiating transactions; authorizes customers to request refunds during such holding periods; authorizes such customers' assets to be sold at market value & returned to customers; requires certain customers to be queried for specified information; provides criminal penalties. Effective Date: January 1, 2025

**Committees of Reference**

House Insurance & Banking Subcommittee (Current Reference)  
House State Administration & Technology Appropriations Subcommittee  
House Commerce Committee

**Actions**

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| 12/20/2023 | HOUSE Filed   |
| 01/05/2024 | HOUSE Referred to Insurance & Banking Subcommittee; State Administration & Technology Appropriations Subcommittee; Commerce Committee |
| 01/05/2024 | HOUSE Now in Insurance & Banking Subcommittee   |

**SB 0872 Tourist Development Tax by Stewart**

Tourist Development Tax; Authorizing proceeds of the tax to be used toward funding incentives for the production of films and television series by certain production companies, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

### **Committees of Reference**

Senate Commerce and Tourism (Current Reference)  
Senate Finance and Tax  
Senate Appropriations

### **Actions**

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| 12/12/2023 | SENATE Filed   |
| 01/04/2024 | SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Finance and Tax; Appropriations |

### **SB 0824**

#### **Retail Theft** by Ingoglia

Retail Theft; Revising the minimum number of thefts required within a specified aggregation period required to commit a specified violation for retail theft; prohibiting a person from committing retail theft with a specified number of other persons for a specified purpose; providing criminal penalties; prohibiting a person from committing retail theft with a specific number of other persons for a specified purpose when such person uses a social media platform to solicit the participation of other persons; providing criminal penalties, etc.  
Effective Date: 10/1/2024

### **Committees of Reference**

Senate Criminal Justice (Current Reference)  
Senate Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice  
Senate Fiscal Policy

### **Actions**

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| 12/11/2023 | SENATE Filed   |
| 01/04/2024 | SENATE Referred to Criminal Justice; Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Fiscal Policy |

### **HB 0119**

#### **Trespass on Commercial Agricultural Property** by Melo

Trespass on Commercial Agricultural Property: Provides enhanced criminal penalties for trespass with specified intent on certain commercial agricultural property. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

### **Committees of Reference**

No committees referenced

### **Actions**

|            |   |
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| 10/17/2023 | HOUSE Referred to Agriculture, Conservation & Resiliency Subcommittee; Criminal Justice Subcommittee; Infrastructure Strategies Committee |
| 10/17/2023 | HOUSE Now in Agriculture, Conservation & Resiliency Subcommittee  |
| 01/02/2024 | HOUSE Withdrawn prior to introduction   |

### **HB 0679**

#### **Fantasy Sports Contests** by Shoaf

Fantasy Sports Contests: Provides requirements for fantasy sports contests & penalties for violations; exempts fantasy sports contests from certain laws. Effective Date: July 1, 2024



### **Committees of Reference**

House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee (Current Reference)  
House Judiciary Committee  
House Commerce Committee

### **Actions**

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| 11/30/2023 | HOUSE Filed  |
| 12/19/2023 | HOUSE Referred to Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee; Commerce Committee |
| 12/19/2023 | HOUSE Now in Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee   |

### **SB 0762**

#### **Heat Illness Prevention** by Rouson

Heat Illness Prevention; Requiring certain employers to implement an outdoor heat exposure safety program that has been approved by specified agencies; specifying requirements for the safety program; providing responsibilities for certain employers and employees; providing an exception; requiring specified annual training on heat illness and providing requirements for such training, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

### **Committees of Reference**

Senate Commerce and Tourism (Current Reference)  
Senate Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government  
Senate Fiscal Policy

### **Actions**

|            |  |
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| 12/06/2023 | SENATE Filed   |
| 12/15/2023 | SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; Fiscal Policy |

### **SB 0778**

#### **Pari-mutuel Licensing** by Bradley

Pari-mutuel Licensing; Replacing the use of the term "racing dates" with "its current meet dates"; expanding the entitlement of pari-mutuel permitholders to lease any and all of their facilities to any holder of a valid pari-mutuel permit, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

### **Committees of Reference**

Senate Regulated Industries (Current Reference)  
Senate Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government  
Senate Rules

### **Actions**

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| 12/06/2023 | SENATE Filed   |
| 12/15/2023 | SENATE Referred to Regulated Industries; Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; Rules |

### **SB 0696**

#### **Agritourism** by Rodriguez

Agritourism; Prohibiting local governments from adopting ordinances, regulations, rules, or policies that require certificates of use for certain agricultural lands, facilities, and venues or that limit certain activities associated with agritourism; providing for the termination,

expiration, extension, and renewal of specified local government ordinances, rules, and measures, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

#### **Committees of Reference**

Senate Agriculture (Current Reference)  
Senate Community Affairs  
Senate Rules

#### **Actions**

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| 12/05/2023 | SENATE Filed   |
| 12/13/2023 | SENATE Referred to Agriculture; Community Affairs; Rules |

### **SB 0204**

#### **Competition for the Sale of Event Tickets** by Brodeur

Competition for the Sale of Event Tickets; Prohibiting live performance venues from entering into specified contracts and covenants for the sale of tickets and licenses or from requiring artists to distribute tickets through specific ticket platforms; requiring live performance venues to allow artists to distribute tickets through the ticket platforms of the performance artists' choice, subject to certain conditions; prohibiting a live performance venue from selling or transferring tickets and licenses at more than face value, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

#### **Committees of Reference**

Senate Commerce and Tourism (Current Reference)  
Senate Judiciary  
Senate Rules

#### **Actions**

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| 11/07/2023 | SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Judiciary; Rules                   |
| 11/27/2023 | SENATE On Committee agenda - Commerce and Tourism, 12/05/23, 2:00 pm, 110 S |
| 12/05/2023 | SENATE Temporarily Postponed by Commerce and Tourism                        |

### **SB 0586**

#### **Cultivated Meat** by Yarborough

Cultivated Meat; Defining the term "cultivated meat"; prohibiting the manufacture, sale, holding or offering for sale, or distribution of cultivated meat in this state; providing that such products are subject to an immediate stop-sale order, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

#### **Committees of Reference**

Senate Agriculture (Current Reference)  
Senate Commerce and Tourism  
Senate Fiscal Policy

#### **Actions**

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| 11/28/2023 | SENATE Filed  |
| 12/05/2023 | SENATE Referred to Agriculture; Commerce and Tourism; Fiscal Policy |

### **SB 0502**

#### **Human Trafficking** by Stewart

Human Trafficking; Requiring the employer at an athletic venue, an entertainment venue, or a convention center with a certain capacity to display a human trafficking public awareness sign in a conspicuous location that is clearly visible to the public and employees; defining the term “entertainment venue”; increasing the number of training hours in identifying and investigating human trafficking which each certified law enforcement officer must successfully complete as part of specified training, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2024

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**Committees of Reference**

Senate Criminal Justice (Current Reference)  
Senate Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice  
Senate Fiscal Policy

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| 11/16/2023 | SENATE Filed   |
| 12/05/2023 | SENATE Referred to Criminal Justice; Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Fiscal Policy |

**HB 0339**

**Agritourism** by Roth

Agritourism: Prohibits local governments from adopting ordinances, regulations, rules, or policies that require certificates of use for certain agricultural lands, facilities, & venues or limit certain activities associated with agritourism; provides for termination, expiration, extension, & renewal of specified local government ordinances, rules, & measures. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

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**Committees of Reference**

House Agriculture, Conservation & Resiliency Subcommittee (Current Reference)  
House Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee  
House Infrastructure Strategies Committee

**Actions**

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| 11/03/2023 | HOUSE Filed  |
| 11/22/2023 | HOUSE Referred to Agriculture, Conservation & Resiliency Subcommittee; Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee; Infrastructure Strategies Committee |
| 11/22/2023 | HOUSE Now in Agriculture, Conservation & Resiliency Subcommittee   |

**HB 0355**

**Resale of Tickets** by McFarland

Resale of Tickets: Provides requirements for websites of ticket resellers; provides for donation, transfer, & resale of certain tickets; authorizes original seller to request information from final ticket holders; prohibits original ticket seller from taking certain actions against person who purchases or resells ticket; preempts regulation of sale or resale of tickets to state. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

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**Committees of Reference**

No committees referenced

**Actions**

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| 11/07/2023 | HOUSE Filed                           |
| 11/21/2023 | HOUSE Withdrawn prior to introduction |

**HB 0297**    **Appointment of Courtroom Animal Advocates** by Cross

Appointment of Courtroom Animal Advocates: Authorizes court to order separate advocate be appointed in interests of justice for certain criminal proceedings regarding cat or dog's welfare or custody; provides judge's decision denying appointment is not subject to appeal; authorizes appointed advocate to take certain actions involving proceedings; provides requirements for advocate. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

**Committees of Reference**

House Criminal Justice Subcommittee (Current Reference)  
House Judiciary Committee

**Actions**

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| 10/27/2023 | HOUSE Filed  |
| 11/13/2023 | HOUSE Referred to Criminal Justice Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee |
| 11/13/2023 | HOUSE Now in Criminal Justice Subcommittee                           |

**HB 0177**    **Competition for the Sale of Event Tickets** by Andrade

Competition for the Sale of Event Tickets: Prohibits live performance venues from entering into specified contracts for sale of tickets or requiring artists to distribute tickets through specific ticket platforms; specifies artists must be allowed to distribute tickets through use of ticket platforms of performance artists' choice; prohibits live performance venue from selling or transferring tickets at more than face value. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

**Committees of Reference**

House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee (Current Reference)  
House Civil Justice Subcommittee  
House Commerce Committee

**Actions**

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| 10/16/2023 | HOUSE Filed   |
| 11/02/2023 | HOUSE Referred to Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee; Civil Justice Subcommittee; Commerce Committee |
| 11/02/2023 | HOUSE Now in Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee  |

**HB 0035**    **Acceptance of Cash Payments by Businesses** by Rudman

Acceptance of Cash Payments by Businesses: Requires certain businesses to accept cash payments for certain transactions; prohibits fees or conditions for such transactions; provides applicability & civil penalties; requires DACS to adopt rules. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

**Committees of Reference**

House Insurance & Banking Subcommittee (Current Reference)  
House Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee  
House Commerce Committee

**Actions**

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| 09/11/2023 | HOUSE Filed |
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| 10/05/2023 | HOUSE Referred to Insurance & Banking Subcommittee; Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee; Commerce Committee |
| 10/05/2023 | HOUSE Now in Insurance & Banking Subcommittee   |

**HB 0015** **Contracts for Live Entertainment** by Rudman

Contracts for Live Entertainment: Prohibits entertainment venue from canceling or terminating executed contract with certain persons engaged in live entertainment. Effective Date: July 1, 2024

**Committees of Reference**

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House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee (Current Reference)  
House Civil Justice Subcommittee  
House Commerce Committee

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| 08/23/2023 | HOUSE Filed   |
| 10/05/2023 | HOUSE Referred to Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee; Civil Justice Subcommittee; Commerce Committee |
| 10/05/2023 | HOUSE Now in Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee  |

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